

Lemhi

Soil and Water Conservation District



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Project Manager: Bob Minton (retiring 2023)
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Administrative Assistant: Becky Coffey

Our Mission

Setting high standards for conservation of the natural resources within the LSWCD and assisting local landowners in improving soil and water practices on private lands.

Top 5 Natural Resource Concerns

1. Fish and wildlife habitat
2. Irrigation water management
3. Water quality
4. Rangeland management
5. Information and education

Fiscal Year 2022 Revenue

Federal Funding	
Bonneville Power Administration	\$271,609.85
Pacific Coastal Salmon Recovery Fund	\$256,563.13
Private Funding	
Upper Salmon CAP Grant	\$85,000.00
State Funding	
Idaho Department of Water Resources	\$14,904.00
State of Idaho	\$25,209.70
County Funding	
Lemhi County	\$7,500.00
TOTAL	\$660,786.68

USDA/NRCS Farm Bill Contracts

Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)	
8 contracts:	\$186,087.00
Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP)	
7 contracts:	\$179,701.00
Total:	\$1,026,574.68

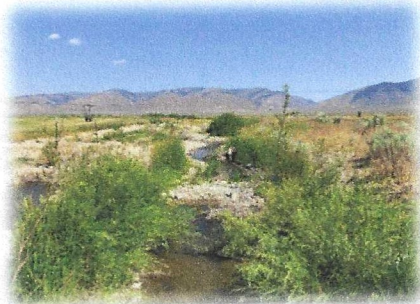
Future Projects and Programs

Continued efforts will be made to leverage the available federal anadromous fish monies to benefit land owners and natural resources within Lemhi County in addition to ESA listed and resident fish species. The Lemhi SWCD will continue to focus on youth and adult education through the coming year. This will include participation in Family Fun Night at the Lemhi County Fair, poster contest, and National Agriculture Week while continuing the educational programs already in place.

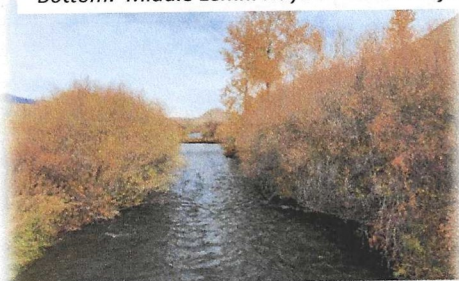


Recent Projects

- ◆ The LSWCD had several projects in the works for 2021. We contracted to get past and current project sites treated for noxious and invasive weeds, and to get project sites seeded and mulched. The Bohannon Creek EVR Irrigation Project was started in 2020 and is now complete. Irrigation system improvements were made, including 3 new center pivots, new pumping plant, and all necessary pipelines and appurtenances. These improvements allowed the ranch to take about 30 acres out of production for development of anadromous fish habitat on the Lemhi River. The 18mile Creek Ellsworth Habitat Improvement project was completed, creating additional fish habitat in 18mile Creek. The Little Sawmill HWY 28 Culvert Project was completed, replacing 2 undersized culverts that were partial fish barriers with an open bottom culvert with natural stream characteristics.



Top: Eighteenmile Creek, Eighteenmile/Ellsworth Restoration



Bottom: Middle Lemhi Hayden Reach Project Temporary Bridge

Educational Programs

- ◆ **Lemhi County Fair:** Shared an educational booth with Farm Service Agency and the Natural Resources Conservation Service.
- ◆ **NACD Poster Contest:** Sponsored and presented the NACD poster contest to 72 local 6th graders in conjunction with the 2021 theme "Healthy Forests, Healthy Communities."



Poster Contest winners: (left to right) 2nd place Logan Hanson-1st place Baylee Halle-and 3rd place Ellee May Painter all from Salmon Jr/Sr High School.

- ◆ **National Agriculture Week:** Sponsored and participated in National Agriculture Week activities in Lemhi County. 2nd grade students at Pioneer Elementary had the opportunity to build their own edible soil cup. FFA students assisted.



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CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**PERFORMANCE
REPORT
CERTIFICATION**

DISTRICT: Lemhi

FOR YEAR:

FY22

DUE :

December 20, 2022

CERTIFICATION

On behalf of my local Board of Supervisors, I hereby certify that the attached Performance Report is true and accurate, and further submit said Report for the above named District and fiscal year.

A copy of this Performance Report shall be kept at the District office and is available for public inspection.



Board Supervisor Signature

Curtis Beyeler

Printed Name

12/8/22

Date

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